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1. EMBASSY RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM OZU (DIRECTOR, PETROLEUM PLANNING DIVISION OF ENERGY AGENCY, MITI) JULY 30 ON BEHALF OF MITI VICE MINISTER YAMASHITA RE USG POLICIES ON FOLLOWING: (A) 800,000 B/D KUWAITI CRUDE SCHEDULED FOR SALE AS REMAINDER OF ORIGINAL QUANTITY OF 1.5 BILLION B/D (700,000 B/D SOLD TO GULF AND BP), AND (B) FORTHCOMING SAUDI CRUDE AUCTION. SPECIFICALLY, OZU ASKED WHAT POLICY USG WAS FOLLOWING WITH REFERENCE TO BIDDING PRICES BY US FIRMS. OZU MENTIONED THAT MITI WANTED TO PREVENT JAPANESE FIRMS FROM BIDDING TOO HIGH.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY APPROPRIATE MESSAGE WE COULD GIVE ON THESE TWO SUBJECTS TO YAMASHITA. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION RE KUWAITI SALE BEYOND THAT IN KUWAIT 3013, OF WHICH PARA 3 APPEARS AT VARIANCE WITH FIGURES GIVEN BY OZU.
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